

REMARKS

This Response, submitted in reply to the Office Action dated April 5, 2007, and Advisory Action dated September 13, 2007, is believed to be fully responsive to each point of rejection raised therein. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-28, and 31-32 are all the claims pending in the application.

In the Advisory Action of September 13, 2007, the Examiner states that the Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 filed September 4, 2007 was not entered because the Applicant failed to provide a showing of good and sufficient reasons why the affidavit or other evidence is necessary and was not earlier presented.

Applicant submits that claims 1-28, 31 and 32 were first rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Chang et al. (U.S. Patent No. 2002/0026443; hereinafter “Chang”) in view of “Messages and Codes, Version 8, Release 2” IBM Corporation (March 2003) (hereinafter “Messages and Codes”) in the Office Action of April 5, 2007. Applicant filed a response on July 5, 2007, which Applicant believes was sufficient to overcome the rejection. However, the rejection was maintained in the Advisory Action of July 23, 2007. The Applicant subsequently filed a Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 on September 4, 2007 removing the Messages and Codes reference cited by the Examiner. Therefore, Applicant submits that the Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 was timely filed after the initially submitted arguments were deemed unpersuasive by the Examiner. Consequently, Applicant submits that the Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 filed on September 4, 2007 should be entered by the Examiner. However, in order to expedite the prosecution for the present application, Applicant files this Request for Continued Examination to force entry and consideration of the Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 filed September 4, 2007.

Consequently, the rejection of claims 1-28, 31 and 32 in view of Chang and Messages and Codes should be withdrawn.

II. Conclusion

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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